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FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 8571

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PASS HEW/NIH/NCI (DOUGLAS ZINN AND E. CHEVLEN)

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: TBIO OTRA OSCI APER EG

SUBJ: TDY ASSIGNMENT OF DR. ERIC CHEVLEN, PHS

REF: ZINN/EMBASSY TELEX, AUG. 16.

1. HOUSING IN ALL SECTIONS OF CAIRO EXTREMELY TIGHT AND EXPENSIVE. COST OF TWO-BEDROOM APT. IN MAADI LIKLY TO BE LE 500/MONTH OR MORE (\$710/MONTH). PRICES CAN SOMETIMES BE NEGOTIATED, BUT IT IS A SELLERS MARKET.

2. EMBASSY CAN GIVE ONLY LIMITED ASSISTANCE. WE CAN ADVISE ON VACANCIES WE KNOW OF AND GIVE INFORMAL ADVICE ON PROCEDURES, BUT CANNOT NEGOTIATE, CONTRACT FOR, MAINTAIN OR FURNISH QUARTERS. FYI: WE KNOW OF TWO POSSIBILITIES AND WILL INQUIRE IF THEY WOULD BE AVAILABLE IN SEPT. END FYI. WE WILL ALSO CONTACT CAIRO CANCER INSTITUTE OFFICIALS TO SEE IF THEY CAN HELP. SUGGEST DR. CHEVLEN ALSO PURSUE SUBJECT DIRECTLY WITH HIS CONTACTS IN EGYPT.

3. EMBASSY CANNOT ARRANGE DUTY FREE ENTRY OF DR. CHEVLEN'S AUTO AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS BECAUSE HE CANNOT BE AFFORDED THE DIPLOMATIC OR EQUIVALENT STATUS NECESSARY. DR. CHEVLEN COULD (A) PAY DUTY, (B) REQUEST CAIRO CANCER INSTITUTE TO TRY TO ARRANGE DUTY FREE ENTRY WITH GOE. HE COULD ALSO

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POSSIBLY BUY CAR HERE AND SELL UPON DEPARTURE. SMALL SHIPMENTS OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS, E.G. TRUNKS LIGHT AIRFREIGHT, COULD BE SENT TO EMBASSY ADDRESSED TO THE AMBASSADOR (FOR SCIATT). SMALL PKGS. CAN BE SENT THROUGH FPO (ATTN SCIATT). CAIRO CANCER INSTITUTE WOULD HAVE TO ARRANGE THROUGH GOE FOR CLEARANCE OF LARGER SHIPMENTS.

4. DR. CHEVLEN AS USG EMPLOYEE ON OFFICIAL TDY MAY USE EMBASSY COMMISSARY AND HEALTH UNIT. HE MAY ALSO RECEIVE MAIL (ADDRESSED C/O SCIATT) THROUGH FPO. EMBASSY CAN PAY (TO DR. CHEVLEN) FOLLOWING ASSOCIATED COSTS, IF REQUIRED, IN EGYPTIAN POUNDS (SFCP) UPON AUTHORIZATION AND RECEIPT OF FISCAL DATA:

TEMPORARY LODGING (HOTEL)

EDUCATION (CHILDREN)

RENTS/LEASE

TRANSPORTATION (AIR TRAVEL, CAR RENTAL)

FOREIGN TRANSFER ALLOWANCE (IF NECESSARY)

5. SUGGEST DR. CHEVLEN TALK WITH DR. HAROLD RUSSELL, PHS/CDC ATLANTA WHO IS NOW COMPLETING SIMILAR ONE YEAR TDY ASSIGNMENT WITH MINISTRY OF HEALTH HERE ABOUT GENERAL CONDITIONS PERTAINING TO SUCH ASSIGNMENTS. DR. RUSSELL WILL BE IN WASH. AUG. 30, 31. EMB REQUESTING THAT HE CONTACT DR. CHEVLEN.

6. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP RE DR. CHEVLEN'S SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS, PARTICULARLY TEMPORARY LODGING, ETA.

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